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FM AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3771

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MASS, KU

SUBJ: AGENT'S FEES--KUWAIT

REF: A. KUWAIT 3976 DTG 290815Z SEP 75

B. STATE 232907 DTG 302153Z SEP 75

1. FOLLOWING EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF KUWAITI CABINET OCTOBER 1 (TO DISCUSS LOCAL HOUSING PROBLEMS), MINISTER OF STATE FOR CABINET AFFAIRS ABDULAZIZ HUSSEIN TOLD REPORTERS THAT CABINET ALSO HAD DISCUSSED RECENT NEWS REPORTS ALLEGING THAT "MIDDLEMEN" HAD BEEN GIVEN BRIBES TO ARRANGE ARMS DEALS BETWEEN KUWAIT AND ARMS SELLERS.

2. HUSSEIN SAID: "THE CABINET WISHES TO STRESS THAT NO MIDDLEMEN WERE INVOLVED IN THE ARMS DEALS BECAUSE ALL ARMS PURCHASES ARE MADE DIRECTLY ON A GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT BASIS. IF IT IS PROVED THAT SOME THIRD PARTY OBTAINED A COMMISSION OUT OF THE PURCHASES, THEN KUWAIT IS ENTITLED TO BE REFUNDED THIS COMMISSION (BY THE MANUFACTURERS)". HUSSEIN ADDED "SUCH AN ACTION IS AGAINST THE CONDITIONS OF THE AGREEMENT WHICH STIPULATED THAT NO MIDDLEMEN SHOULD BE INVOLVED".

3. WHILE EMBASSY REPS NOT PRESENT AT POST-CABINET BRIEFING

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OF PRESS, WE ASSUME MENTION OF RAYTHEON'S KUWAIT CONTRACT BY

CONGRESSMAN ASPIN WAS GENESIS OF EXCHANGE.  
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